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Prior Art Unit: 3729

Prior Examiner: Carl J. Arbes



Sir:

This is a request for filing a [] continuation [X] divisional [] continuation-in-part under 37 C.F.R. **1.53(b)** of pending prior application serial No. <u>10/342,167</u>, filed on <u>January 14, 2003</u> of <u>Brian Samuel Beaman</u>, <u>Keith Edward Fogel</u>, <u>Paul Alfred Lauro and Da-Yuan Shih</u> for <u>ANGLED FLYING LEAD WIRE BONDING PROCESS</u>, which is a continuation of application serial number 09/871,536 filed on May 31, 2001 issued as US Patent No. 6,526,655 on March 4, 2003, which is a divisional of application serial number 09/164,470 filed on October 1, 1998 issued as US Patent No. 6,295,729 on October 2, 2001.

| 1. | [] | As last amended, the title has been changed to             |  |
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| 2. | [] | As last amended, the name of applicant has been changed to |  |

- 3. [X] Enclosed is [X] a copy of the oath or declaration as filed in the prior application or [] a new oath or declaration.
- 4. [X] The filing fee is calculated below:

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| 5. | [X] | Charge any fees which may be required, exce    | pt for the Issue Fee, or credit any overpayment |
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| 6. |     | ] Cancel in this application original Claim(s) | of the prior application before calculating     |

the filing fee.

7. [X] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: - This is a
[] continuation [X] division [] continuation-in-part of application serial No. 10/342,167, filed on January 14, 2003, which is a continuation of application serial number 09/871,536 filed on May 31, 2001 issued as US Patent No. 6,526,655 on March 4, 2003, which is a divisional of application serial number 09/164,470 filed on October 1, 1998 issued as US Patent No. 6,295,729 on October 2, 2001.

| 8. [ ] | Priority of application Serial No. | ,filed      | l on | in | is claim | ed under 35 |  |
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|        | •                                  | U.S.C. 119. | _    |    |          |             |  |

| 9. | [.] | The certified copy | of the priority | application | has been file | ed in prior | application | Serial No |
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| 10. | [ ] | An | appointme | nt of | associates | is | enclosed |

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- 11. [X] Address all future communications to <u>Dr. Daniel P. Morris, Esq.,</u> IBM Corporation, Intellectual Property Law Department, P.O. Box 218, Yorktown Heights, N.Y. 10598.
- 12. [X] A preliminary amendment to this application is enclosed.

13. [ ] Enter in this application the amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 which was unentered in the prior application.

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